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ett's hardware store.

UNITED LABOR.

Nomination of a State Ticket by
the Syracuse Convention,
Headed by

Henry George For Secretary of State
—Defection of the Socialistic
Faction.

George and McGlynn Bitterly Denounced—
The Clarendon Hall Platform In-
corporated.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Aug. 20.—The commit-
tee on platform of the United Labor con-
vention had a long session Thursday night
resulting in the retention of the Clarendon
Hall platform, on which Henry George
made his canvass for mayor of New York.
A variety of propositions were submitted,
and the batch was divided into three parts,
one going into the waste basket, the second
being returned to the committee on resolu-
tions as not pertaining to the platform, and
the third being handed over to Henry
George, who presided, for his considera-
tion. There are three avowed socialists
on the platform committee. After the ex-
clusion of socialistic delegations
besides the New York reform dele-
gates, two of the delegates from the
Twelfth New York City district and six
from Onondago County, besides a number
of individuals from various localities, va-
cated their seats in the convention. Active
efforts are being put forth by the socialists
to organize a new party in which they will
have the co-operation of active anti-George
influences. They propose to begin their
movement in the shops of New York City
and extend it thence into the State and to
invite the trades unions to unite in what
shall be known as the organized labor
movement whose members shall be from
unions irrespective of socialistic or labor
factions.

Yesterday morning's session was devoted
to the reading of the platform, which was
presented by Henry George. It was adopted.
The resolutions were then reported,
and after some debate were amended and
passed. The business of selecting a ticket
was then begun. Henry George was nomi-
nated for Secretary of State. He said he
did not want the nomination or office, but
was at the service of the Labor party. The
old platform adopted at the Clarendon Hall
meeting last year was taken as the ground-
work for the new platform and enlarged to
suit the necessity of a State campaign. A
few of the planks of the platform of the old
Greenback Labor party were also used. One
of the principal of these favors the estab-
lishment of postal banks and a postal tele-
graph system. After a very spirited de-
bate it was decided not openly to oppose the
socialist organization, but as a compromise
a plank was used opposing state and public
control of any subject which is not a mat-
ter of public concern. A State ticket was
put in nomination as follows: Secretary of
State, Henry George, of New York; Com-
ptroller, Victor A. Walker, of Kings; State
Treasurer, B. H. Cummings, of Mont-
gomery; Attorney-General, Dennis C. Fe-
vory, of Monroe; State Engineer and Sur-
veyor, Sylvanus A. Sweet, of Broome.
Following the resolutions adopted were the
following:

WHEREAS, At a conference of members of the
United Labor party of the States of Ohio and
Indiana held in Cincinnati on July 4, resolutions
were adopted urging the Central Land and
Labor Committee to take steps for calling a
national conference; therefore be it

Resolved, That in view of the near approach of
the national contest this convention joins with
our brethren of the West in requesting the
chairman of our State Committee to co-operate
with the Land and Labor Committee to issue a
call for a national conference of such organiza-
tions of citizens of other States as may be dis-
posed to act with the United Labor party of
New York in forming a great national party.

WHEREAS, The United Labor party recog-
nizes the great value of our canals as regulators
and controllers of freight rates, they acting as
the only safeguard and protection between the
great railroad monopolists and the masses; therefore

Resolved, That we are in favor of improving
State waterways, thus placing them in the
highest efficiency, thereby reducing the cost of
transportation of the necessities of life, the
products of the soil to a minimum, thus further
utilizing New York's commercial advantages.

Resolved, That we denounce the practice of
railway monopoly managers in discriminating
against those shippers who find it advantageous
to use the canals of the State, which they are
taxed to maintain, and we demand the passage
of a stringent law that shall put an end to this
gross injustice committed against the people by
railroad corporations who derive their taxing
power from the people of this State.

Resolved, That we also passed favoring
eight hours work for letter carriers; women
equality; extending the school age in
children from 14 to 16 years; in favor of
free public libraries and a state printing
department; the Australian system of a
secret ballot; the prohibition of the em-
ployment of armed detectives, and denounc-
ing class legislation and the misappropriation
of the public funds.

THE SOCIALISTIC SCHISM.
New York, Aug. 20.—Six enthusiastic
meetings were held Thursday night by so-
cialists, at which Henry George and Dr.
McGlynn were roundly denounced. Alex-
ander Jones, the socialist leader, being
asked what he thought of the situation,
said: "So George wants to catch the
farmer vote, does he? Doesn't he know
that 40,000 farmers out in Ohio could not
pay their taxes last year, and were sold out
by the sheriff? George can't hoodwink the
farmers. They can not understand his
theories. To catch them he wants to throw
us overboard. We are the bugbear. If we
are thrown out bodily we will be ten times
stronger than when we went in."

ONE cent a mile will be the rate to
St. Louis over the Santa Fe. Probably
before we have toggled up and are
all ready for the picnic the fare will be
down lower than that.

THE Cain City *Razzooper* is a new
candidate for public favor. No. 1, of
Vol. 1 reached our table this morning.
It is a democratic paper, gotten up in
good shape, and published at Cain
City, McPherson county, by Will J.
McHugh.

PICK up a paper from any of the
states of the Union and if there has
been recent rains in the locality in
which it is published, you will read
something like this: "Another glorious
rain," etc., and still some of these
same people are wondering what the
people of "poor Kansas" are going to do.

A LIVE and wide-awake newspaper
will look after the interests of the mul-
titude, and not govern its actions ac-
cording to the wishes of a few. Peo-
ple don't generally scratch where it
don't itch, and if you hear a man kick-
ing up a row about a newspaper item,
you may know the item touched him
in a susceptible spot.

WE ARE requested to state that the
Liberty township primary, to elect dele-
gates to the democratic county con-
vention, will be held at No. 7 school
house on the evening of September
17th. In this connection we would
like to request the committee men from
each township to let us know of the time
their primaries will be held, so that we
can call the attention to same.

DURING the fair at Topeka this com-
ing fall, a band contest open to all
amateur bands of the state, will be
held. \$100 and \$200 prizes will be given,
and we don't see any reason why
Great Bend could not enter the lists
with her band and make a good record,
too. Encourage the band boys in their
effort to organize on a substantial ba-
sis, and you will not regret it.

THE indications now are that old
Colorado is going to succeed in bring-
ing about a general uprising of the
bloodthirsty bucks of the northwest.
If this should be the result of the pre-
sent uprising an Indian war of no small
magnitude will follow, and the govern-
ment will probably be put to a great
expense in quelling the outbreak. The
most sensible and satisfactory way
would be to turn loose the rangers and
cowboys of the west and let them for-
ever wipe out these restless, merciless
villains.

IF WE are to credit the reports con-
cerning the fiendish hyenas who de-
spelled the dead at the Chatsworth
disaster, there certainly is a grand op-
portunity for some of the many would-
be detectives of the country to acquire
fame and at the same time bring to
justice some of the worst class of hu-
man beings on God's green earth. The
horror of such a catastrophe is great
enough when we think of the loss of
life; but, to add to this, the thought
that perhaps the bridge was set on fire
by a band of worse than
grave-robbers, is simply unbearable.

IN ANOTHER column you will find
the announcement of Mr. L. M. Krause
as a candidate for the office of county
treasurer, subject to the action of the
democratic county convention. Mr.
Krause comes out upon the earnest
solicitation of many friends, and should
he receive the nomination and election
we feel assured the finances of the
county would be placed in good hands.
Mr. Krause is one of the earlier settlers
of the county, has a large acquaintance,
having been trustee of Walnut town-
ship for 12 years, and having had busi-
ness which brought him in contact with
many of our people. It is needless to
add that he is a square toed democrat.

The "Chinese Jugglers" Caught.

Sunday the Sheriff and Deputy
returned to Great Bend with A. Y.
Livingston and Albert Krouse, the
two men who made the attempt to
rob the Chinaman recently. They
were apprehended at Denver, where
they were going under assumed
names. They did not "know" De-
puty-Sheriff Wilson at first, but finally
acknowledged his acquaintance and
owned up to having assaulted the
Chinaman, but said they did not in-
tend anything but to "scare him."
From all the circumstances connected
with the affair, the general belief is a
general disbelief in their claim of no
intended wrong. Our officers deserve
the commendation of the public for
the capture.

KING KORN, OF KANSAS

A Few "Kernels" of Comfort and
"Grains" of Thought for the "Ears"
of the Doubting

It is estimated that the corn will
average about a half crop in this coun-
ty, but the acreage is much larger than
usual.—Chase County Leader.

Glorious rains visited Pratt county
Sunday and Monday, soaking the
ground thoroughly, giving new life and
vigor to vegetation, and helping the
late corn.

J. S. Van Deusen of Elyria, last
Monday showed some of the best corn
we have seen grown the present season.
He has 140 acres which will yield from
thirty to forty bushels per acre.—
McPherson Democrat.

Dry weather cannot effect corn much
in this locality. Step-ladders and
hatchets will be in demand when the
farmers commence gathering in the
golden grain.—Cherryvale Republican.

Our friend J. F. Hutchinson, of
White Rock township, brought us a
fine mess of roasting ears. All of the
ears were nearly a foot long and Mr.
Hutchinson says that they were but a
fair sample of his whole crop.—Re-
public News.

Wm. Owens, living three miles east
of town, in Logan township, said that
he has the best corn crop that he has
had since he has been in the state, and
that the rain of Wednesday night was
worth \$150 to him.—Washington Re-
publican.

Mr. Ervin Caldwell, living on sec.
25-27-17 in the sand hills, brought a
specimen of his corn to our office
that will average 40 to 60 bushels to
the acre. The old ground is as fine a
specimen as we ever saw. The corn
that is growing on sod will make 40
bushels to the acre.—Greensburg Rus-
tler.

In conversation with some of our
merchants this week they informed us
that their trade is better now than at
any other period this summer. This
speaks well for the farmers of the coun-
ty, it shows that while the corn crop
will be short yet they are all in good
shape.

We saw some ears of green corn at
the office of Filkins and Sisler that
did our eyes good. They were from
the farm of Lewis Allen, near the
county line between Biltown and
Madison. Mr. Allen has fifty acres of
this corn, which he thinks will yield
sixty bushels to the acre. In the
neighborhood where the corn was listed
and got in early, Mr. Allen thinks
the yield will be about the same as
his.—Emporia Globe.

Mr. H. A. Newman, who lives six
miles southwest of the city, brought
into this office two stalks of corn—one
of which was sixteen feet high and the
other ten feet—the average height of
70 acres he has laid by. Each stalk
bears a large ear of corn and is as green
as though frequently refreshed by rain,
although everybody knows it has been
very dry. Mr. Newman says his corn
is far better than it was last year.—
Hiawatha World.

Thos. G. Elbury, who has been visit-
ing friends in the south part of the
county for several days, returned last
evening and brought with him a fair
sample of corn raised in that section
this season. Two ears shown to our
reporter, each measuring 14 inches in
length, 9 inches in circumference and
containing over 900 grains, is fair evi-
dence that our crops are not so bad,
despite the drought.—Kingman Courier.

Latest on the Dude.

A pretty advance specimen of this
class was paying court to the daughter
of a clergyman. He was invited to
dine at the house, and the young lady
assured him that he had better prepare
himself to return thanks at the dinner
table, as her father always asked his
guests to do so. "I really can't. I
couldn't do it, ye know." "But you
must," said his sweetheart, "or your
chances are gone." "Ah, well, I will
try, but I'll make an awful mess of it,
ye know." Dinner time came, and the
clergyman politely called upon the
young man to return thanks, as the
young lady had predicted. He gave a
despairing glance at his sweetheart
folded his hands and said: Ah there!
Jesus. Awfully jolly spread. Thanks
awfully! There was no marriage.—
Truth.

Some one says the age of a political
party may be told by its rings.

An Illinois teacher sent to Chicago
for "memorandum books," and the
trustees of the district got hold of the
fact and requested his resignation.
They don't believe in art spelling in
that state.

The Fire Boys.

Great Bend Hose Company A met
at council chamber Friday. Six-
teen members present. Final action
was taken on the adoption of Consti-
tution, Rules and By-Laws.

A good set of rules were adopted
which will be amended and added to
from time to time as the boys get bet-
ter up in the business and understand
the necessities for the changes.

We predict that Great Bend will
have one of the best organized and
most efficient fire companies in the
state.

All the members are strong, active
men—just such men as are needed to
face the destroying element and sub-
due it.

The next regular meeting will be
on the first Tuesday in September.

NORMAL NOTES.

"Who lives across the street?"

Everybody is studying the Consti-
tution.

The new week is conspicuous for
full attendance.

All the students are requested to
register who have not already done so.

A good season would have swelled
the number of Normalites up to over
150.

Beautiful weather, rather cool,
moist, etc., for the normalites this
year.

Boys, constitution will be required
for the 2nd grade and don't you for-
get it.

So many of the Normal gentlemen
expect to become lawyers; that is dis-
couraging.

Girls, why did you leave the school
building so suddenly during the fore-
noon on the 18th?

Come out to the Normal the rest of
the term. Everyone come. Bring
along everyone else. Only two weeks
more.

Prof. Zirkle claims that "natural
gas" is afloat in the school-rooms.
The Professor is very popular because
of his quiet humor.

Miss Dora Wesley leads the school
in sacred music every morning. Mr.
W. C. Yard accompanies in vocal
music at the same time.

Many expect to "take in" the Insti-
tute the last two weeks or parts of the
same. There are others, however,
who make "all or nothing" their
motto.

It is known that a number of ladies
in town advertised their names for
"normal boarders," on lists specially
arranged for that purpose by Prof.
Reece, as Mrs. Bailey, Hedges, Bland,
etc. No dissatisfaction has been
made known. It is undoubtedly due
to the efforts of Prof. Reece that both
landlady and students are satisfied.

P. Looney, brother of our Pawnee
Rock teacher, is low with bilious fe-
ver. He is a promising young man,
and attended the Institute but one
day and part of the next, when he
was taken ill. Since then he has
almost constantly been confined to
his bed. His father, brothers, and at
times Prof. Zirkle, are sympathetic
spectators.

Prof. Reece gave an experimental
lecture to-day on the subject of "Hy-
drogen Gas." An experiment was
made this morning, also, with car-
bonic acid gas. Both were marked
by a success, and the students watched
with the greatest interest. It was
proved that carbonic acid gas was de-
structive to fire and life, is heavier
than air, will not burn, etc., and that
hydrogen gas will burn, is lighter
than air, etc. Everyone went home
satisfied.

H. C. BENKE.

The Natural Gas Belt.

The Cincinnati *Commercial Gazette*
has an extended article on the natural
gas belt of the country, prepared by a
gentleman who has given this subject
careful thought and investigation.
From the article we will quote: West-
ern Missouri, nearly all of Kansas, Ne-
braska, east Colorado and New Mex-
ico, will, in the near future demon-
strate to the world that a great polar
current laden with an immensity of
primitive carbon left its prodigious
load on the eastern slope of the Rocky
mountains. There are also valid rea-
sons which we cannot now give for
claiming that a great part of the
southern states, from central Texas to
Georgia, is one of the great gas ter-
ritories, and within the next half cen-
tury it is very likely that even the
very shales that are hardly combusti-
ble, will in that region be mined and
made to burn more readily than our
bituminous coal, on account of their

more perfect oil saturation, since the
more oily carbons would settle nearer
to the equator and the heavier nearer
the poles.

Sunday's Base-Ball Game.

Sunday morning the Scott City
train pulled out from Great Bend
with about seventy-five of our citi-
zens on board who were going to wit-
ness a game of ball between our home
team and Scott City team. They ar-
rived in good time and commenced
the game.

The score at the end of the ninth
inning stands 8 to 16 in favor of
Scott.

The result of the game shows con-
clusively that something was wrong.
A kick is not made because our boys
were beaten, but because they so far
forgot their duty to themselves and to
the people who have subscribed and
willingly paid money to get and sup-
port a good ball team.

We talked with a great many of
our people who went up to witness
the game, and the general belief is
that the several cases of beer which
were taken along were the cause of
the unflattering result.

This paper has been a strong sup-
porter of the ball club, having done
all we could to assist it; and, while
we did not favor the Sunday excu-
sion, we refrained from making a
fight against it for the reason that
some of the base-ball people told us
they were a good deal in debt and
hoped from the profits on the excu-
sion to clear off the debt. We also
talked with a number of merchants
and clerks who favored the excursion
on Sunday for the reason that they
could not get away on week days and
would like to witness a good game.

We now feel that the maintenance
of the organization is not a benefit to
the moral or financial interests of the
city, and in this we are backed by
the best citizens of the city.

The ball team goes from Scott to
Garden City, where they play to-mor-
row.

Caught the Sea Serpent.

Look there, the sea serpent, by
mighty!" exclaimed one of Capt. C. H.
Griffin's crew yesterday afternoon.
"Great Scott, he's going to board us,"
said the captain.

Right ahead the long wake proclaim-
ed the presence of some marine mon-
ster, and there was a very snake-like
head to be seen above the top of the
water. Capt. Griffin caught up a har-
poon and said: "I'll have him, by
gosh!"

"Don't strike, cap'n!" yelled his mate.
The warning came to late, the iron
was already shooting through the air
with lightning speed, and before the
captain hadn't more than time to say
"Look out," it was caught and held
fast. For a moment it lay on the
water, then it started off seaward, go-
ing at a rate too rapid to be described
in landsman terms.

Captain Griffin is of the opinion that
his boat beat the time of the Mayflow-
er. The rope attached to the harpoon
was a very long one, and was "paid
out" as far as possible. What he had
struck the captain didn't know, but he
did know that it was being taken
along shore at a most fearful rate.

For miles the boat was carried along,
and then the propelling power stopped,
seemed to hesitate, and then started
inshore. Tired out at last, it came to
the surface, revealing the outlines of
the largest turtle they had ever seen.
The monster was got at after a long
struggle, and it was tied to a schooner
over night. It concluded to go back to
sea and actually was running away
with the schooner when it was cap-
tured for the second time and taken
back. It was hoisted on shore this
morning and was found to weigh 1,430
pounds.

Captain Dugan sold his "catch" to
W. W. Dugan and C. U. Trufethen,
who found that the turtle is the largest
ever seen in these waters. Capt. B. F.
Willard, who is one of the oldest cap-
tains here, says that 50 years ago a ves-
sel, having on board ten southern tur-
tles, was wrecked on the Maine coast,
and it is thought the specimen caught
yesterday is one of them. The turtle
is supposed to have been seen fre-
quently during the past two or three
years, and to have given a foundation,
so to speak, for the numerous sea-ser-
pents experiences, of which some very
thrilling accounts have been written.

In Boston they say the summer was
"ferved." In this city we stick to the
plain Henry Ward Beecher expression.